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**Amendments to the Abstract**RECEIVED  
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Please **rewrite** the Abstract as indicated:

~~The invention relates to an~~ An illuminating device is described  
comprising an optical source emitting an unpolarized light beam, a  
polarizing beam splitter comprising a grid polarizer situated between the  
faces of two prisms. The light beam penetrates into the first prism through  
a face and reaches the polarizing beam splitter that transmits the light  
having a first polarization direction to the face that reflects it toward an exit  
face. In addition, the splitter reflects the light having a second polarization  
direction to the face that reflects it toward an exit face.